Subject: Chat with Mark Cohen
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me: http://www.theblogmocracy.com/2010/03/20/barrett-brown-another-progressive-bigot-and-racist/
Mark: good god
Mark: just reading the first paragraph
me: that's nothing
Mark: this guy clearly lives in some kind of weird parallel reality
me: the end is the best part
Mark: ok, i'll press on
Mark: "This is news to me since the Vatican has never had armies to assemble and unleash." oops
me: yeah
me: shockingly, this conservative blogger does not know of the Papal States
me: or Swiss Guard
me: or SEKRIT JESUIT INTERNATIONAL ASSASSIN LEAGUE that I made up
Mark: well, ok
Mark: that certainly woke me up
Mark: for you, is this kind of thing even worth responding to in the comments?
me: I'm going to do a post on it
me: "People in glass houses shouldn’t throw stones. Your house has just been smashed and your racism/bigotry has been exposed for all the world to see, Brown!"
me: every day's a new day
Mark: from the comments: "The Spaniards were actually viewed as liberators by many subjects of the Incas and Aztecs."
Mark: !
me: well, that was true for a short time
Mark: that is seriously self-parody
me: until they realized the Spaniards were worse
Mark: but, but "viewed as liberators"
me: that is a little much
me: "He is 180 degrees wrong about Latin America. It was precisely the Catholic Church that worked hard to mitigate the treatment of the natives and to preserve the good things in their heritage."
me: I don't even know how long this is going to take to refute
Mark: you'll be up late with wikipedia
Mark: it's not entirely wrong
Mark: the church did fight with the spanish landowners over treatment of the natives
Mark: but that was only because the church wanted to have more time to spend converting

them
me: Soviets fought with Nazis over treatment of the Poles
Mark: right
Mark: if i remember correctly
Mark: the core of the church's "humanitarian" position on the american natives
Mark: was that they were currently savages
Mark: but COULD be saved
Mark: the "racist" position was that they were totally hopeless
Mark: but, you'll get to have all kinds of fun with this later
Mark: it'll be a long day on wikipedia, i imagine
me: also
me: know Michael Wolff?
Mark: not really
Mark: why?
me: New York Observer wants me to go after him
me: he's a giant douche
me: writes for Vanity Fair
me: co-owner of Newser
me: which is this stupid news aggregator for which he's always shilling
me: predicted in 2005 that blogs would be gone in a year and a half
me: http://cache.gawker.com/assets/images/gawker/2009/06/Picture_5.png
me: yes
me: that is a person
Mark: so i take it you don't object to taking the hatchet to him
me: no, he's a douche
me: and a director competitor
me: insomuch as that he has his would-be last-word in early 21st century information relay
me: and I have mine
me: difference is that I don't get capitalized to the extent that I can throw big faggy parties
me: plus I have designed a secret esoteric symbol for my internet movement and he has not
Mark: oh, is that what that was
Mark: i was kind of confused about that
Mark: and who knows barret, maybe you too will get to a faggy parties in mahattan stage in your career
me: did I already send it?
Mark: there was an image at the bottom of your most recent trueslant post
me: ah, yes
me: see, I told you I would create a secret society
me: and thus prove
me: that secret societies exist
me: check and mate
me: MARK

Mark: ah. well done